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Committee Bill No. 5217

LCO No. 4487



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
(PH)

***AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN ADVISORY COUNCIL ON PHYSICAL
ACTIVITY FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2015*) (a) The Commissioner of
2 Education shall establish an Advisory Council on Physical Activity for
3 School Students consisting of the following members:
- 4 (1) One representative of the Association of School Nurses of
5 Connecticut who is employed in a public school;
- 6 (2) One representative of the Association of School Nurses of
7 Connecticut who is employed in a private or parochial school;
- 8 (3) One physical education teacher who is employed at an
9 elementary school;
- 10 (4) One physical education teacher who is employed at a secondary
11 school or a high school;
- 12 (5) One representative of the Connecticut Federation of School
13 Administrators;

14 (6) One representative of the Connecticut Association of Boards of
15 Education;

16 (7) Two school district medical advisors, one of whom is a member
17 of the American Academy of Pediatrics; and

18 (8) The Commissioners of Education and Public Health, or the
19 commissioners' designees, who shall be ex-officio, nonvoting members
20 and shall attend meetings of the advisory council.

21 (b) The advisory council shall advise the Commissioners of
22 Education and Public Health concerning physical activity for public
23 and nonpublic school students.

24 (c) Members shall receive no compensation except for
25 reimbursement for necessary expenses incurred in performing their
26 duties.

27 (d) The Commissioner of Education shall schedule the first meeting
28 of the advisory council, which shall be held not later than September 1,
29 2015. The members shall elect a chairperson of the advisory council
30 from among the members of the council. A majority of the council
31 members shall constitute a quorum. A majority vote of a quorum shall
32 be required for any official action of the advisory council. The advisory
33 council shall meet upon the call of the chairperson or upon the request
34 of a majority of the advisory council members.

35 (e) Not later than February 1, 2016, and not less than annually
36 thereafter, the advisory council shall submit a report on its
37 recommendations to the Commissioners of Education and Public
38 Health and to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly
39 having cognizance of matters relating to education and public health,
40 in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general
41 statutes. Such report shall include, but need not be limited to,
42 recommendations concerning practices to increase the physical activity
43 and decrease childhood obesity of school students.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2015</i>	New section
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PH *Joint Favorable*

ED *Joint Favorable*